

I have been a loyal subscriber to XM Satellite radio since it was first available. I can't imagine NOT having it. It provides me with a variety and selection that my local stations can not and will not provide. I gladly PAY for this service. Being able to listen to the music I desire commercial free and not what some corporation decides they want to play in my area are very important to me. I have discovered many new musical artists that I would have never had the chance to hear before because in my area if you do not listen to country or top 40 or hip hop music you are just out of luck. Even though local traffic and weather are not available to me for my area, I have tuned in and listen to the weather and traffic stations for cities close to that I travel to on occasion and I must say I do enjoy that feature as it is constant not just once in a while like the local stations play. I find it appalling and disgusting that huge corporate radio stations that have all but ruined the music industry are trying to destroy this new technology. If for some reason I was unable to receive XM Satellite radio tomorrow, I would not be able to listen to local radio, I would instead drive in silence or listen to CD's. I do hereby then urge you to REJECT NAB's petition 04-160 and for once support new technology.

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